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GOV. EASLEY REAPPOINTS HUNTER TO PLANT CONSERVATION BOARD

RALEIGH – Gov. Mike Easley has reappointed **Leslie P. Hunter** of Garner to the North Carolina Plant Conservation Board.

Hunter is a forest stewardship coordinator with the N.C. Division of Forest Resources in Raleigh. He is the 2008 N.C. division chair for the Society of American Foresters. Hunter received his Bachelor's degree in forestry from N.C. State University.

The board adds and subtracts species from the list of endangered or threatened native plants. Members also adopt and enforce regulations to protect rare native plants in the state. The board has seven members, each serving a four-year term. The governor appoints four members. The commissioner of Agriculture appoints three members.

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